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## Office Action Summary

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 July 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4-14 and 16-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4-14 and 16-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This Office action is responsive to Applicant's submission filed on July 25, 2007. Claims 1, 4-14 and 16-20 are pending.

#### ***Response to Amendment***

2. The declaration filed on July 25, 2007 under 37 CFR 1.131 has been considered but is ineffective to overcome the Li reference (U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0093508).

The evidence submitted is insufficient to establish diligence from a date prior to the effective date of the Li reference (i.e., October 18, 2001) to a constructive reduction to practice (i.e., the filing of the present application on January 4, 2002).

Applicant declares, "On or about May 23, 2001, EXHIBIT 1 was transmitted to Martine, Penilla & Kim, LLP to prepare the patent application for the above referenced matter" (declaration, item 4). Applicant further declares, "On or about January 4, 2002, the reference application was filed at the United States Patent and Trademark Office" (declaration, item 5). However, Applicant does not present any evidence of diligence during the critical period from a date prior to October 18, 2001 to the date of filing of the present application on January 4, 2002. See MPEP § 715.07(a) and MPEP § 2138.06.

The evidence submitted is insufficient to establish an actual reduction to practice of the invention in this country or a NAFTA or WTO member country prior to the effective date of the Li reference (i.e., October 18, 2001).

Applicant declares, "As indicated in EXHIBIT 1, alpha testing, beta testing and completion of the testing of the claimed invention was performed prior to October 18, 2001."

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However, it is not evident that the exhibit presents any facts to support this statement. Moreover, a mere statement that testing was performed is not sufficient proof that the invention existed as claimed and worked for its intended purpose. See MPEP § 715.07 and MPEP § 2138.05.

The examiner notes Applicant's statement, "The date of the ISF [marked as Exhibit 1] is prior to the effective filing date of October 18, 2001" (remarks, page 5), and further notes the language included in the ISF, "Has the invention been reduced to practice? yes (yes or no)" (Exhibit 1, page A-7). Again, however, a mere statement that the invention has been reduced to practice is not sufficient proof that the invention existed as claimed and worked for its intended purpose. See MPEP § 715.07 and MPEP § 2138.05. Furthermore, Applicant does not demonstrate how the description of the invention included in the ISF (Exhibit 1, page A-6) relates to each and every element of the claimed subject matter.

The affidavit or declaration and exhibits must clearly explain which facts or data Applicant is relying on to show completion of his or her invention prior to the particular date. Vague and general statements in broad terms about what the exhibits describe along with a general assertion that the exhibits describe a reduction to practice "amounts essentially to mere pleading, unsupported by proof or a showing of facts" and, thus, does not satisfy the requirements of 37 CFR 1.131(b). *In re Borkowski*, 505 F.2d 713, 184 USPQ 29 (CCPA 1974). Applicant must give a clear explanation of the exhibits pointing out exactly what facts are established and relied on by Applicant. 505 F.2d at 718-19, 184 USPQ at 33.

### ***Response to Arguments***

3. Applicant's arguments have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

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Applicant requests that Li be removed as a reference based on the information provided in the ISF (remarks, page 5).

However, as noted above, the declaration filed on July 25, 2007 under 37 CFR 1.131 is ineffective to overcome the Li reference. Accordingly, the rejections set forth in the last Office action are maintained.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 1, 4-14 and 16-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,473,894 to Shrader et al. (art of record, "Shrader") in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0093508 to Li et al. (art of record, "Li") in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2002/0107680 to Duggan et al. (art of record, "Duggan") in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2002/0133603 to Mitomo et al. (art of record, "Mitomo").

With respect to claim 1 (previously presented), Shrader discloses an application launcher testing system (see, for example, the abstract), comprising:

(a) a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server in communication with an application launcher, wherein the HTTP server receives a query for a test application from the application launcher (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58, which shows an HTTP server and a browser,

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wherein the HTTP server receives a query from the browser, and see, for example, column 5, lines 15-21, which shows that the browser is an application launcher for querying the server for a test applet or test application), wherein the application launcher launches the test application based on a response to the query from the HTTP server (see, for example, column 5, lines 15-21, which shows that the browser or application launcher launches the test applet or test application based on a response from the HTTP server) and wherein the application launcher exits and returns an exit code (see, for example, steps 402 and 410 in FIG. 4, and column 8, lines 27-29 and 42-45, which shows that the browser or application launcher exits after launching the test applet or test application, and see, for example, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows returning a marker file indicating a completed launch status, and column 5, lines 55-57, which shows that the marker file is an exit code).

Shrader does not expressly disclose that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application.

However, in an analogous art, Li discloses launching an application with a browser or application launcher (see, for example, step 124 in FIG. 2), wherein the application is configured to run even if the browser is closed (see, for example, paragraph 0035, lines 6-22). Li discloses that running the application independently of the browser, such that the browser can be closed upon launching the application, is advantageous (see, for example, paragraph 0014, lines 1-12). For example, any bugs present in the application will not affect the browser, and any bugs present in the browser will not affect the applet, as they otherwise would (see, for example, paragraph 0007, lines 1-5).

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to configure the browser or application launcher and the test applet or test application of Shrader as Li suggests, such that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application, so that any bugs in one component do not affect the other.

Shrader further discloses:

(b) a status server in communication with the test application, the status server receiving a test status from the test application (see, for example, column 5, lines 43-52, which shows a `DynamicAppletTest` class that is a status server for receiving status information or a test status from the test applet or test application).

Shrader discloses opening a socket to the HTTP server (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58), but does not expressly disclose the test application opening a socket to the status server to communicate test results, and does not expressly disclose that the status server receives the test status from the test application through the socket.

Nonetheless, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that if the `DynamicAppletTest` class or status server and the test application or test applet of Shrader were located on different servers, then the test application would open a socket to the status server, and the status server would receive the status information or test status from the test application through such a socket. Li suggests as much, disclosing that information about the status of an executing application is received through a TCP/IP communication socket (see, for example, paragraph 0025, lines 13-18).

Shrader further discloses:

(c) a test monitor in communication with the HTTP server and the status server, wherein the test monitor receives a query status from the HTTP server, and wherein the test monitor receives the test status from the status server and an application launch status from the application launcher (see, for example, test/run program 202 in FIG. 2A and column 5, lines 43-57, which shows that the test/run program is a test monitor for receiving the test status from the DynamicAppletTest class or status server, and see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47, which shows that the test/run program receives a query status from the HTTP server, such as error and status messages from the browser for the current URL, and see, for example, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows receiving a marker file indicating a completed launch status).

Shrader does not expressly disclose that the HTTP server compares the query to data within a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor, does not expressly disclose that the query status is based upon the comparison with the query rules file, and does not expressly disclose that the test monitor determines if the application launcher has sent a correct query to the HTTP server.

However, in an analogous art, Duggan discloses determining whether a request sent to an HTTP server is valid, which is to say determining whether a query sent to an HTTP server is correct, so as to report an error when the request is invalid or incorrect (see, for example, paragraph 0023, lines 6-13).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the test/run program or test monitor of Shrader to determine if the browser or application launcher has sent a correct query to the HTTP server, as Duggan teaches,



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so that the error and status messages of Shrader (see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47) could report such information.

Duggan is silent as to how the correctness of the query is determined. In other words, Shrader in view of Duggan does not expressly disclose a comparison with a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor.

However, in an analogous art, Mitomo discloses comparing a request sent to an HTTP server with a request database to determine the correctness of the request (see, for example, paragraph 0036, lines 1-5 and paragraph 0040, lines 1-11). The request database is a file that provides custom patterns or rules on which to base the comparison (see, for example, paragraph 0037, line 1 to paragraph 0039, line 8).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the test/run program or test monitor of Shrader in view of Duggan such that the HTTP server compares the query to data within a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor, and that the query status is based upon the comparison with the query rules file, as Mitomo teaches, so as to provide custom patterns or rules for determining whether the query is correct.

With respect to claim 4 (previously presented), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the test monitor receives an exit code from the application launcher, the exit code indicating a launch status of the test application launch (see, for example, Shrader, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows receiving a marker file indicating a completed launch status, and see, for example, Shrader, column 5, lines 55-57, which shows that the marker file is an exit code).

With respect to claim 5 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the test monitor combines the query status, the test status, and the launch status into a report (see, for example, Shrader, column 8, lines 30-39, which shows combining the test status and query status into an output file or report, and see, for example, Shrader, column 7, lines 43-46, which shows writing to the output file or report based on the launch status).

With respect to claim 6 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the query status indicates the status of the query received from the application launcher (see, for example, Shrader, column 6, lines 42-47, which shows that the query status indicates the status from the browser or application launcher).

With respect to claim 7 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the test monitor starts the status server and the application launcher (see, for example, Shrader, column 4, lines 53-58, which shows that the test/run program or test monitor starts the browser or application launcher, and column 5, lines 43-52, which shows that this starts the DynamicAppletTest class or status server).

With respect to claim 8 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the test monitor starts the HTTP server (see, for example, Shrader, column 4, lines 53-58, which shows that the test/run program or test monitor starts the HTTP server by way of the browser or application launcher to query the HTTP server).

With respect to claim 9 (previously presented), Shrader discloses a method for testing an application launcher (see, for example, the abstract), comprising the operations of:

(a) launching a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server, a status server and an application launcher, wherein application launcher queries the HTTP server for a test application (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58, which shows launching a browser to launch an HTTP server with a query, and column 5, lines 15-21, which shows that the browser is an application launcher for querying the server for a test applet or test application, and see, for example, column 5, lines 43-52, which shows launching a DynamicAppletTest class that is a status server);

(b) launching the test application using the application launcher (see, for example, column 5, lines 15-21, which shows launching the test applet or test application with the browser or application launcher), wherein the application launcher exits and returns an exit code (see, for example, steps 402 and 410 in FIG. 4, and column 8, lines 27-29 and 42-45, which shows that the browser or application launcher exits after launching the test applet or test application, and see, for example, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows returning a marker file indicating a completed launch status, and column 5, lines 55-57, which shows that the marker file is an exit code).

Shrader does not expressly disclose that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application.

However, in an analogous art, Li discloses launching an application with a browser or application launcher (see, for example, step 124 in FIG. 2), wherein the application is configured to run even if the browser is closed (see, for example, paragraph 0035, lines 6-22). Li discloses that running the application independently of the browser, such that the browser can be closed

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upon launching the application, is advantageous (see, for example, paragraph 0014, lines 1-12). For example, any bugs present in the application will not affect the browser, and any bugs present in the browser will not affect the applet, as they otherwise would (see, for example, paragraph 0007, lines 1-5).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to configure the browser or application launcher and the test applet or test application of Shrader as Li suggests, such that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application, so that any bugs in one component do not affect the other.

Shrader further discloses:

(c) returning a test status from the test application to the status server (see, for example, column 5, lines 43-52, which shows returning status information or a test status from the test applet or test application to the DynamicAppletTest class or status server).

Shrader discloses opening a socket to the HTTP server (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58), but does not expressly disclose that the test status is returned through a socket opened by the test application to the status server to communicate test results.

Nonetheless, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that if the DynamicAppletTest class or status server and the test application or test applet of Shrader were located on different servers, then the test application would open a socket to the status server, and would return the status information or test status to the status server through such a socket. Li suggests as much, disclosing that information about the status of an executing application is returned through a TCP/IP communication socket (see, for example, paragraph 0025, lines 13-18).

Shrader further discloses:

(d) returning the test status, a query status, and a launch status to a test monitor (see, for example, test/run program 202 in FIG. 2 and column 5, lines 43-57, which shows that the test/run program is a test monitor to which the test status is returned, and see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47, which shows returning a query status to the test/run program, such as error and status messages from the browser for the current URL, and step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows returning a marker file indicating a completed launch status).

Shrader does not expressly disclose:

(e) determining correctness of the application launcher queries to the HTTP server by comparing the application launcher queries to data within a query rules filed provided by the test monitor.

However, in an analogous art, Duggan discloses determining whether a request sent to an HTTP server is valid, which is to say determining correctness of a query sent to an HTTP server, so as to report an error when the request is invalid or incorrect (see, for example, paragraph 0023, lines 6-13).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the method of Shrader to determine correctness of the browser or application launcher queries to the HTTP server, as Duggan teaches, so that the error and status messages of Shrader (see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47) could report such information.

Duggan is silent as to how the correctness of the query is determined. In other words, Shrader in view of Duggan does not expressly disclose comparing the application launcher queries to data within a query rules filed provided by the test monitor.

However, in an analogous art, Mitomo discloses comparing a request sent to an HTTP server with a request database to determine the correctness of the request (see, for example, paragraph 0036, lines 1-5 and paragraph 0040, lines 1-11). The request database is a file that provides custom patterns or rules on which to base the comparison (see, for example, paragraph 0037, line 1 to paragraph 0039, line 8).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the method of Shrader in view of Duggan such that the correctness of the application launcher queries to the HTTP server is determined by comparing the application launcher queries to data within a query rules file provided by the test monitor, as Mitomo teaches, so as to provide custom patterns or rules for determining whether the query is correct.

With respect to claim 10 (original), the limitations recited in the claim are analogous to the limitations recited in claim 5 (see the rejection of claim 5 above).

With respect to claim 11 (original), the limitations recited in the claim are analogous to the limitations recited in claim 6 (see the rejection of claim 6 above).

With respect to claim 12 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the test status indicates a status of tests performed by the test application (see, for example, Shrader, column 5, lines 43-52, which shows that the status information or test status indicates the status from the test applet or test application as it operates).

With respect to claim 13 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the launch status indicates a status of the application launch operation (see, for example, Shrader, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows that the launch status indicates the status of the application launch when complete).

With respect to claim 14 (original), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the application launcher uses a uniform resource locator (URL) to launch the test application (see, for example, Shrader, column 5, lines 15-21, which shows that the browser or application launcher uses a URL to launch the test applet or test application).

With respect to claim 16 (previously presented), the limitations recited in the claim are analogous to the limitations recited in claim 4 (see the rejection of claim 4 above).

With respect to claim 17 (previously presented), Shrader discloses an application launcher testing system (see, for example, the abstract), comprising:

(a) a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server in communication with an application launcher, wherein the HTTP server receives a query for a test application from the application launcher (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58, which shows an HTTP server and a browser, wherein the HTTP server receives a query from the browser, and see, for example, column 5, lines 15-21, which shows that the browser is an application launcher for querying the server for a test applet or test application), wherein the application launcher launches the test application based on a response to the query from the HTTP server (see, for example, column 5, lines 15-21,

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which shows that the browser or application launcher launches the test applet or test application based on a response from the HTTP server), and wherein the application launcher exits and returns an exit code (see, for example, steps 402 and 410 in FIG. 4, and column 8, lines 27-29 and 42-45, which shows that the browser or application launcher exits after launching the test applet or test application, and see, for example, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows returning a marker file indicating a completed launch status, and column 5, lines 55-57, which shows that the marker file is an exit code).

Shrader does not expressly disclose that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application.

However, in an analogous art, Li discloses launching an application with a browser or application launcher (see, for example, step 124 in FIG. 2), wherein the application is configured to run even if the browser is closed (see, for example, paragraph 0035, lines 6-22). Li discloses that running the application independently of the browser, such that the browser can be closed upon launching the application, is advantageous (see, for example, paragraph 0014, lines 1-12). For example, any bugs present in the application will not affect the browser, and any bugs present in the browser will not affect the applet, as they otherwise would (see, for example, paragraph 0007, lines 1-5).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to configure the browser or application launcher and the test applet or test application of Shrader as Li suggests, such that the application launcher exits upon launching the test application, so that any bugs in one component do not affect the other.

Shrader further discloses:



(b) a status server in communication with the test application, the status server receiving a test status from the test application (see, for example, column 5, lines 43-52, which shows a DynamicAppletTest class that is a status server for receiving status information or a test status from the test applet or test application).

Shrader discloses opening a socket to the HTTP server (see, for example, column 4, lines 53-58), but does not expressly disclose the test application opening a socket to the status server to communicate test results, and does not expressly disclose that the status server receives the test status from the test application through the socket.

Nonetheless, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that if the DynamicAppletTest class or status server and the test application or test applet of Shrader were located on different servers, then the test application would open a socket to the status server, and the status server would receive the status information or test status from the test application through such a socket. Li suggests as much, disclosing that information about the status of an executing application is received through a TCP/IP communication socket (see, for example, paragraph 0025, lines 13-18).

Shrader further discloses:

(c) a test monitor in communication with the HTTP server and the status server, wherein the test monitor receives a query status from the HTTP server, the test status from the status server (see, for example, test/run program 202 in FIG. 2A and column 5, lines 43-57, which shows that the test/run program is a test monitor for receiving the test status from the DynamicAppletTest class or status server, and see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47, which shows that the test/run program receives a query status from the HTTP server, such as error and

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status messages from the browser for the current URL), and an exit code from the application launcher, the exit code indicating a launch status of the test application launch (see, for example, step 408 in FIG. 4 and column 8, lines 36-39, which shows receiving a marker file indicating a completed launch status, and see, for example, column 5, lines 55-57, which shows that the marker file is an exit code), and wherein the test monitor combines the query status, the test status, and the launch status into a report (see, for example, column 8, lines 30-39, which shows combining the test status and query status into an output file or report, and see, for example, column 7, lines 43-46, which shows writing to the output file or report based on the launch status).

Shrader does not expressly disclose that the HTTP server compares the query to data within a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor, does not expressly disclose that the query status is based upon the comparison with the query rules file, and does not expressly disclose that the test monitor determines correctness of the query for the test application from the application launcher to the HTTP server.

However, in an analogous art, Duggan discloses determining whether a request sent to an HTTP server is valid, which is to say determining correctness of a query sent to an HTTP server, so as to report an error when the request is invalid or incorrect (see, for example, paragraph 0023, lines 6-13).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the test/run program or test monitor of Shrader to determine correctness of the query for the test applet or test application from the browser or application launcher to the

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HTTP server, as Duggan teaches, so that the error and status messages of Shrader (see, for example, column 6, lines 42-47) could report such information.

Duggan is silent as to how the correctness of the query is determined. In other words, Shrader in view of Duggan does not expressly disclose a comparison with a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor.

However, in an analogous art, Mitomo discloses comparing a request sent to an HTTP server with a request database to determine the correctness of the request (see, for example, paragraph 0036, lines 1-5 and paragraph 0040, lines 1-11). The request database is a file that provides custom patterns or rules on which to base the comparison (see, for example, paragraph 0037, line 1 to paragraph 0039, line 8).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to supplement the test/run program or test monitor of Shrader in view of Duggan such that the HTTP server compares the query to data within a query rules file provided to the HTTP server from the test monitor, and that the query status is based upon the comparison with the query rules file, as Mitomo teaches, so as to provide custom patterns or rules for determining whether the query is correct.

With respect to claim 18 (previously presented), Shrader in view of Li in view of Duggan in view of Mitomo further discloses the limitation wherein the query status indicates the status of the query received from the application launcher (see, for example, Shrader, column 6, lines 42-47, which shows that the query status indicates the status from the browser or application launcher).

With respect to claim 19 (original), the limitations recited in the claim are analogous to the limitations recited in claim 7 (see the rejection of claim 7 above).

With respect to claim 20 (original), the limitations recited in the claim are analogous to the limitations recited in claim 8 (see the rejection of claim 8 above).

### *Conclusion*

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael J. Yigdall whose telephone number is (571) 272-3707. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Q. Dam can be reached on (571) 272-3695. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

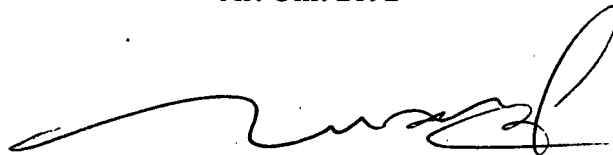
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